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PROGRESS ON THE NEW BUILDING

By the time this item appears in the Support Bulletin we will be awaiting bids on what is generally recognized as the first significant step in the erection of a large building. That is the job of digging a "hole in the ground." Bids will be submitted on 9 September for the excavation of the actual building site and for pouring the concrete foundations on which the building will rest. Actual work is expected to start 1 October.

Up to the present time construction work has been performed on the site as a whole, rather than on the building. Last October work started on clearing and grubbing. This meant the actual removal of trees and brush from about half of the 137-acre tract of land and the cleaning or removal of dead trees and brush from the rest of the site. This work was completed in March 1958 and by that time a contract had been let for grading the site to bring it to the proper elevations as determined by our site planners, and for the installation of drainage structures designed to carry off surface water from rainfall and from several springs in the area. Under this contract the roads on the site and the parking areas are being graded and some of them will be given a gravel surface treatment so that they may be used by the building contractor to bring in his supplies and equipment.

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The weather has been unfavorable most of the time since work started last October. Summer and early fall of last year were marked by long dry spells ideal for construction work but almost as soon as clearing and grubbing started we had heavy rains. Last winter the snow storms were the worst we had had in this area for years and so far this spring and summer rainfall is well above normal. In spite of this we are maintaining our schedule. The grading and drainage contractor is expected to finish by the end of September as his contract provides.

The Excavation and Foundation Contract will require approximately 6 months and before that work is completed we expect to have a contract for the construction of the building itself. Probably 6 to 9 months' time has been saved by making separate contracts for the clearing and grubbing, grading and drainage, and excavation and foundations. All of this will have been accomplished while our architects have been preparing the complex detailed plans required for the main building.

While the work described above has been under way on our site, equally important work has been started off the site. Considerable progress has been made on highway work. The new four-lane highway leading to the north entrance to our site is completely graded. Piers for the several bridges on this highway are completed.

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The entire project is scheduled to be paved and ready for use by the end of 1959, well in advance of our 1961 moving date. Within the last month work has been started on widening the half mile of existing highway leading to our south entrance.

County officials are proceeding with their plans for installing water and sewer lines and for building pumping stations necessary for these facilities. Plans for the electric power station that will supply our building are also well along.

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